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To the right Honorable *ROBERT LEE*, Lord Maior of the Honorable Citie of London, and to the right *Worſhipfull the Knights and Aldermen* of the ſame: health and happineſſe long to continue.

Right Honorable, and worſhipfull of this Cittie, being ouerpreſſed with the heauie burthen of Sorrow, and almoſt ouercome with griefe, for the loſſe of our late deceaſſed Queene; *whom both you, and all others, ſuſtaines a part: I am in dutie bound (in the behalfe of many thouſandes) to giue a ſad farewell to her Excellencie; the onely and laſt ſeruice that a Subiectes true hart can beſtow. Vouchſafe therefore (Right Honorable and Worſhipfull) as a memoriall of your late loue to her* Maieſtie, *to Patronize theſe teare-full Lines: and then no doubt, but* Anglorum Lacrimæ *will be comforted with* Anglorum Gaudia, *being guyded by the vertues of our gracious* King: *vnder whoſe Royall gouernment, all England is made happie, and a golden time is brought vnto our Country.*

Yours in all dutie to be commaunded,
a poore Freeman of this Cittie,
Richard Iohnſon.

To the right Honorable ROBERT LEE, Lord Maior
of the Honorable Cittie of London, and to the right
Worshipfull the Knights and Aldermen
of the same Honble and happie Cittie
long to continue.

RIght Honorable, and worshipfull, of this Cittie, being encompassed with the deuine decreed Oracles, for the loue of our Sauiour, and all others, I am in duetie bound (in the behalfe of many) to commend to your Lordship a plaine Treatise, called Exhortation to prayer, against the feares and perils (Right Honorable and worshipfull) as a memoriall of your late loue to her Maiestie, to Parnassus high Countrey: and there to dwell, her Anglorum Lacrimæ will be remembred with Anglorum Gaudia, being guarded by the vertues of our gracious Queene: vnder whose Royall gouernment, all England is made happie, and a golden time is brought vnto our Countrey.

Yours in all duetie to be commanded,
Poore Freeman of this Cittie,
Richard Iohnson.

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Anglorum Lacrimæ.

O Sacred *QVEENE*, sith now thy life is spent,
And that our liues, our liues the life of thee:
Pale sorowes kingdome shal our harts frequent
Teares, & true passions shal our mourners bee:
For *England* now more sorrowes doth containe,
Then there is wealth in all the Ocian maine.

Oh now what dolefull Ditties shall we make?
What mournfull Songes, or sorrow shall we sing?
What comfort, or sweete pleasure can we take,
When Death hath broke *ELIZAES* vitall string?
Breake hartes with griefe, and let each lyuing soule,
Exchange care hartes ioyes, for euerlasting dole.

Oh wherefore doth not *Phebus* loose his light,
And fall from Heauen vpon the Earth to mourne?
Why is not dayes fayre brightnes changde to night?
And ioyes to griefe: all loues to hatred turnde?
For Beauties soueraigne, and true Vertues Queene,
May now with mortall eyes no more be seene.

With bleeding teares to come with all loues way,
That discontent vpon our browes may shine:
The Destenies haue wrought her liues decay,
Whom Europe feard, *Enchaunt* and *Deuine*.
Oh *England* then bewayle this fatall crosse,
For neuer had *England* such a greater losse.

Our eyes shall bath her Tombe with riuers of teares:
Our vtterance shall make the stones to weepe for pitie:
All those which this sadde way shall murmure beates,
Shall ring Griefes eccho in each *English* Eare.
No Kingdome like to this hath euer mourn'd,
For her, who long shall the Fates so cruell haue scorn'd.

All you that lyu'd in her Princely Coure,
Come turne your pleasant Songes to dolefull Cryes:
With tragicke Teares bemoyst your Cowntnaunce poore,
And let your Cheekes be fraught with weeping Eyes:
For shee too soone hath bid the world adue:
Thus by her losse, we are compeld to rue.

How can we choose but fall into a sound,
When we remember this sweete Princes fall:
Let our true sorrowes make her death renound,
And with hartes griefe grace our her Funerall.
Exclayming still with euerlasting eyes,
Vertue growes sickly and her flowers dyes.

As Nobles mourne, so did the Plough-men weepe,
As Courtiers grieue, so lies the Country grone.
Let all estates in sorrowes passion keepe,
A sadder time was neuer in England knowne.
what is he, that can wouchsafe a smile,
Hauing lost Elizabeth, treasure of this Ile.

Weepe now Oh Cloudes vpon the grasie Earth,
With drops of sorrow pierce the hardest Stones,
while we lament our Gracious Queene deceast,
whose soule in heauen is in the Celestiall thrones.
Ope wide your gates of the firmament Skie,
Sende downe more showers for her mortalitie.

Where shall we wofull men go borrow teares,
To teach the Rockes in true mourning sheetes to weepe:
All times and seasons, minutes, houres, and yeeres,
Consult to keepe our wished ioyes asleepe:
Thus all in vaine we dayly beare dispondence,
Her losse of life, which cannot be recorded.

The cruell Destenies mutinous bloody knife,
To cut her thread of life are thoughtlie prompted:
Her life burnde out like to a Taper flame,
And thus the Houre-glasse of our ioyes is runne,
Yea all those ioyes that we had vow to haue,
Are fled to Heaven, our buried in her graue.

We must what eye there is that will not weepe,
When we shall tell this lamentable storie,
That she is dead, and in the dust doth sleepe,
Although her soule is crowned with liuing glorie:
I thinke the world will be disdain'd to weepe,
When this sad tale shall printed forth come.

Were it not that King IAMES did now survive,
Our drooping soules with griefe would lately perish:
If this, worldes mirror our onely, liue aliue
did not with vertue still our comfortes nurtish:
we should go languish in some obscure den,
From heauens faire sight, and company of men.

Were true the losse of true Nobilitie,
Whilome inuested in her noble brest:
Wisedome and Vertue liuely with Maiestie,
Were all in her: yet she by death suppresst:
We more lament then all the world beside,
Our deare louers losse, that liue in England dide.

She euer sought her Subiectes Wronges to right:
She still maintainde her native Countries lawes:
She that in trueth and iustice did delight,
Is now consumde by deaths deuowring iawes:
All flesh is fraile, and vnto dust must turne:
Yet for her losse, all *England* needes must mourne.

Let all men know that she deserues more prayse,
Then our poore tonges are able to bestow:
Well may we crowne her death with glorious Bayes,
For through the world her honored Fame doth blow:
Her Vertues merit *Homers* golden Pen,
To print her prayse with teares of Gods and men.

Oh that from Heauens high throne thy soule might see,
The mournefull dayes that for thy losse we spend:
The floodes of teares that we haue shed for thee,
Are numberlesse: our sorrowes haue no end:
But all in vaine, her body lyes in Lead,
Whom sad lamentes cannot recall from dead.

Let Schollers pennes write Volumes of our griefe,
For sorrowes makes vs passionate and dombe:
Let euery Tonge tell wofull tales in briefe
Eternall sadnesse to our hartes is come:
Let euery Hand acte passion of his minde,
And still complaine the Fates are too vnkinde.

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Oh wretched world where ſtill the fayrest flowers
Are ſooneſt blaſted with the ſtormes of Death.
Oh furious Fates! Oh all you angrie Powers!
You might haue graunted her mortall breath:
But, Ah, all heauen reioycing at her prayſe,
For vertues ſake abridg'd her earthly dayes.

Mee thinkes I ſee all Artes and Skilles disgraſt,
All Sciences with bitter woes oppreſt:
Fine Eloquence and Rethoricke quight defaſt:
And all the Vertues in her Royall breſt:
The learned Tonges which ſhe was perfect in,
Are now growne dumbe, in pennance for our ſin.

Her lookes were ſober, full of pleaſant cheare:
Her Wiſedome great, with Maieſtie admierd:
From Subiectes harts ſhe won both loue and feare:
With heauenly graces was her ſoule inſpierd:
Thou *England* ſwimme in teares, thy light is loſt,
Thy Sunne is ſet, whoſe beames did chearo thy coaſt.

Mee thinkes I ſee in mourning weedes arayde,
How Chaſtetie now ſighing ſittes alone,
Mee thinkes I ſee how Souldiers are diſmayde,
And euery States-mans hart made ſicke with moane,
Thoſe eyes that wept not many a day before,
Of teares are now conſtraind to ſhed great ſtore.

Oh that ſome heauenly Muſe would paynt her prayſe,
Whoſe breſt was tearm'd true Wiſedomes ſacred ſpring,
Truth and Religion floriſht in her dayes,
Peereles to all the worlds but to our *KING*:
Heauen loues this Countrey, and doth grace it thus,
In ſending one like *Salomon* to vs.

Yet gracious *QVEENE*, needes muſt we hold thee deare,
And euermore thinke on thy Virgin raigne:
In peace thou ruld vs foure and fourtie yeare,
Spight of proude *Rome*, and ambitious *Spaine*.
Oh Heauens! why ſtround you on this ſinfull earth,
In taking from vs *Queene ELIZABETH*.

But ſince the Deſtenies haue been ſeueare
To rob the earth of her azurd delight:
There is a place in Heauen deuoyde of feare,
Then any earthly Manſion farre more bright:
Where free from harmes or any ſad anoy,
ELIZAS ſoule ſhall haue eternall ioy.

And now her ſoule infranchiſed from thrall
Of ſinfull fleſh, aſſendes the chriſtall Skie:
Where as the Trumpets of the Lord doth call
His choſen flocke to ioyes eternetie:
Let Reaſon then reforme each ſad mans Sence:
The world is woe: they happyeſt that are hence.

Mee thinkes I ſee her ſoule now freed from thrall
Of ſinfull fleſh, aſſending to the Skie:
Scorning to dwell heere in this earthly vale,
Where all men riſe to fall, and liue to die.
Therefore ſhe ſoard aboue a humaine pitch,
And with her Vertues doth all Heauen inrich.

Then ioy oh Heauens, inioy earthes Ornament,
Whose soule vp to the Cherubines is fled:
Her body to the Earth doth now relent:
Both Heauen and Earth lou'd her aliue and dead:
Her flesh vnto the Earth resolu'd, doth die,
Her soule vp to the highest Heauens doth flie.

Shee now amongst the blessed Saincts doth dwell,
Where Patriarkes and the Apostles sit:
Which shall iudge the twelue Tribes of *Israell*,
According as to their desartes is fit:
And there shee now obtaines a glorious roome,
According to the Lords most sacred doome.

As heere on earth, this *QVEENE* was magnified
Aboue the common sort in high degree,
In Heauen shee shall be much more glorified,
And shall inioy the full felicetie.
And all such Princes as heere raigne a right,
Shall haue their place in Heauen with Angels bright.

FINIS. R. I.